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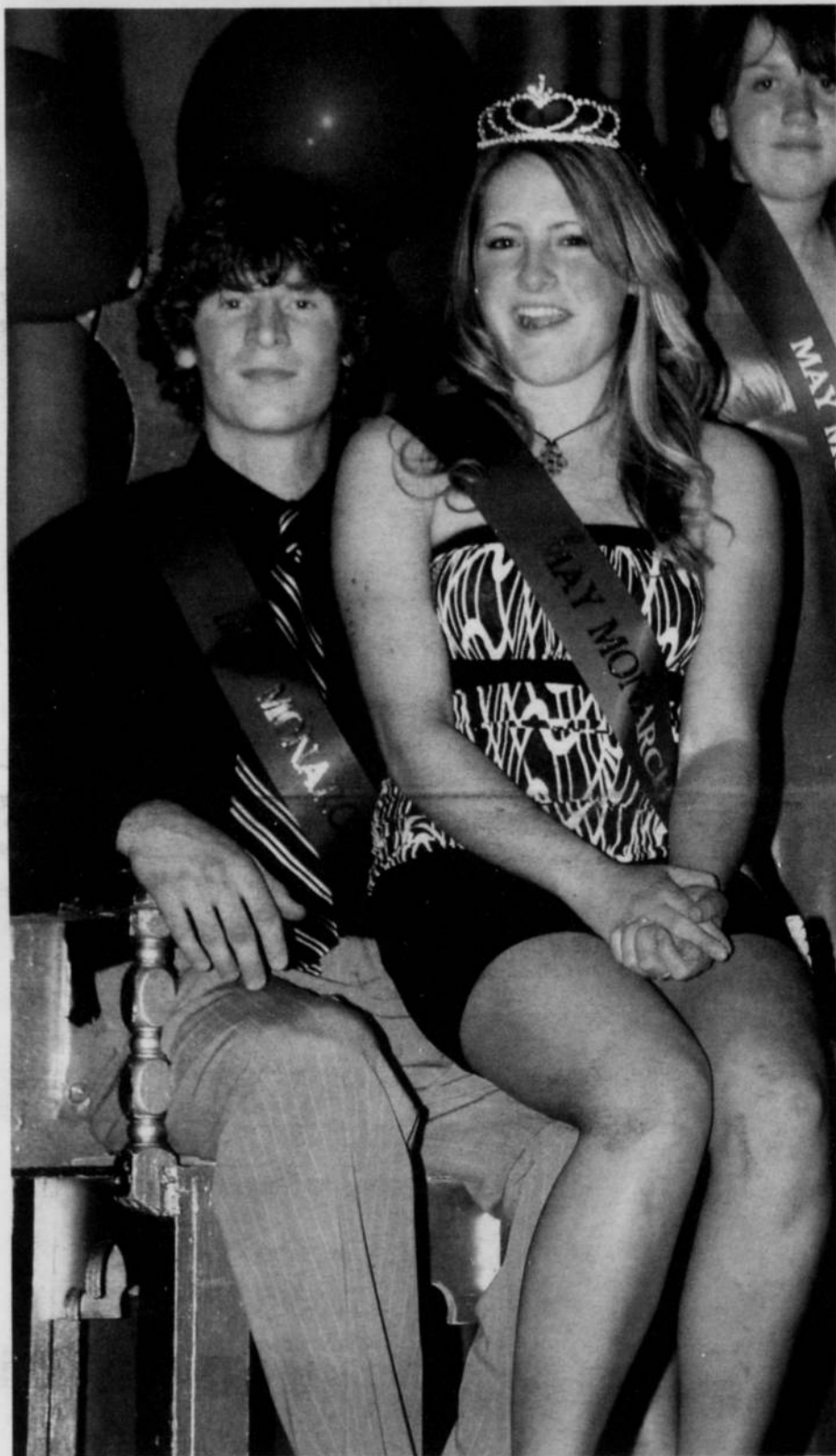
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Rick Winters/For the Review

Chamber president sees growth ahead

BY TAMARA COLLINS
Didsbury Review

Didsbury Chamber of Commerce's newest president Scott Puttick was just put in the driver's seat, and he is already busy mapping out his goals for the next year.

"There are definitely certain things we want to accomplish that are in the works from last year, and that is exciting," said Puttick, owner of Didsbury Dry Cleaner. "In the few months a lot of things are going to come together."

One of the things Puttick is referring to is the Local First campaign that the Chamber has been working on.

"We are also working on a number of things with the town's Economic Development Committee such as the business survey," said Puttick. "We want to attract more businesses to town and continue to help the ones that are already here."

One of Puttick's other "aspirations for the next year" is to get a better rapport going with local businesses.

"There is a lot going on," said Puttick. "Our next big things are the pancake breakfast in August during the rodeo and then the Small Business Gala in October."

Puttick also said they had an especially successful trade show this year and they want to build on that for next year.

"We have a great slate of officers this year that really work well together," said Puttick.

Those officers include: vice president Ron Boyko, Custom Touch Homes; past president Joanne Braun, Curves for Women; treasurer Judy Cummings, ATB Financial; secretary Kathleen Windsor, Windsor Graphics; and council members Bill Anthony, Unique Stained Glass Works; Gord Fulton, Victoria's Flowers; Lance Plewis, Spectrum Design & Drafting; Greg Poirier, Didsbury AG Foods; and Margo Ward, Ward Value Drug Mart.

"Under Joanne (past president) we accomplished an awful lot and got things in place for any executives coming in for a number of years," said Puttick. "A new executive or director just needs to walk into the position and everything is there in black and white."



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SCOTT PUTTICK
Didsbury and District Chamber of Commerce President

Puttick says the chamber worked hard to put all those things in place, and he plans on building on them.

"I am really looking forward to building on that and other initiatives in the next year," said Puttick. "I also want to continue to grow our membership as we did this year."

CROWNED - Jessica Aarts and Michael Poffenroth were pronounced the Didsbury High School May Monarch king and queen after the grade 12s took first place for raising the most money, \$6588.76, this past week. The class of 2008 raised \$5295.20, class of 2007 raised \$5651.53, and the class of 2009 raised \$6412.90.

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More than 100 firefighters remain on line

Burntstick fire "being held"

BY DAN SINGLETON
For the Review

"It's been very, very hot. Half the time we can't even breathe", firefighter Clifford Crookedlegs on the line Wednesday.

The largest forest fire in west central Alberta in five years, burning out of control southwest of Caroline since May 15, was brought to "being held" status Thursday evening much to the relief of the 130 firefighters battling the blaze.

The Burnstick Lake Fire had destroyed 877 hectares as of press time Friday.

"This is great news," said Anastasia Drummond, information officer with Alberta Sustainable Resource Development. "Right now we are not expecting it to move any more at this time, provided the resources and the weather stays the same. The wind did not pick up on Thursday as expected, so that really helped out."

"Right now resources are all going to stay on the fire and continue working on it. In the next 24 to 48 hours it will all be reassessed and then we will decide whether to change the status again. If we see some of the precipitation that is anticipated in the next few days, that will really help."

The "being held" status means the fire is now completely surrounded by a fire guard and is "not expected to go beyond those borders," she said.

About 130 firefighters, six helicopters, 21 bulldozers, six water tankers, and 20 support staff remained on scene Friday. At least eight water bombers have also been in action and remain on standby.

There have been no reports of injuries among firefighters or area residents.

The cause of the fire remains unknown, with a fire inspector on site Friday.

A number of residents in the area west of Caroline had been put on evacuation alert on Tuesday, although no evacuation had been ordered Friday. The decision to evacuate would be made by Clearwater County in consultation with SRD.

During a media tour of the fire site on Wednesday, wildfire incident commander Wayne Werstiuk told reporters that fighting the blaze in very hot dry conditions has been an extreme challenge for firefighters.

"You're walking through every imaginable terrain, from high, dry park settings to muskegs that are infested with mosquitoes," said Werstiuk. "With these hot temperatures and low humidities, people are really exerting themselves out there. They become dehydrated, dusty

and smoky. Sometimes you are walking in bogs and you are sinking up to your knees in water so it's a fire and ice kind of thing. It's very challenging to do, to put out forest fires."

While the temperatures in the shade reached 30 degrees on several days last week, temperatures on the fire line were higher still, reaching close to 40 degrees on Wednesday and Thursday.

Asked when firefighters hope to have the blaze put out, he said, "We don't really look at an extinguishment. We look at when we have it contained, when we are confident that it isn't going to spread any more."

Despite new fires starting in the province since the Burnstick Lake fire began on May 15, there's no chance of equipment being pulled off the fire at the present, he said.

Fabian Beaverbones, a 15-year-veteran of fire-fighting, was interviewed as he worked on the line. He said while the Burnstick Lake fire is not the biggest blaze he has fought, the hazards are ever present.

"It is pretty unnerving because trees can fall over at anytime. The branches above us can be on fire and fall. I've been hurt on a fire before so I'm always careful," said Beaverbones.

He says in his experience working on the fire line is always about teamwork among a few men and women working in close proximity.

"Together we are pushing this fire back. There's always people right around us, watching over us. We are being taken care of."

Clifford Crookedlegs, who was working with Beaverbones on the line, said conditions on the Burnstick blaze have been very tough.

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BURNT STICK — Clifford Crookedlegs of the Sunchild Reserve marks a hazardous tree for removal along the perimeter of the Burntstick Lake Fire near Caroline. As of press time, Friday, the fire was being held at 877 hectares.

Alleged pervert in Innisfail

RCMP are warning students and the community-at-large about an alleged pervert who allegedly tried grabbing a teen on the streets of Innisfail last Thursday.

That morning a 16-year-old, female Innisfail High School student was walking to a work experience class east along 53 St.

According to RCMP, she was just past the town's administration building when she saw the gold vehicle pull into its parking lot.

"Somehow this guy got ahead of her and as she was walking a yard with some bushes, he reached though and tried to grab her. It happened very

quickly," said RCMP Const. Greg Tulloch.

The aware teen managed to jump back before being grabbed and ran to a nearby beauty salon where RCMP were called. Police say she wasn't harmed.

The RCMP have released a description of the man. The suspect they are looking for is a stocky, late 30s to early 40s male with collar length curly dirty blonde hair. He was wearing dirty torn jeans and a dirty plaid work type shirt.

"There's no way to know whether this guy is still in the community," said Tulloch.

RCMP are warning res-

idents to be on the lookout for the early 1980s gold Chevrolet pick-up with a matching topper that he may be driving.

Chinook's Edge School Division sent out an advisory to the Innisfail High School and had notices in the hands of students before they left for the long weekend.

Superintendent Jim Gibbons said that the same advisory has been sent to all schools in the Division, but students wouldn't receive the release until they return after May long.

"(Sending out a release) is part of our emergency response plan," said Gibbons.

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EDITORIAL & OPINION

Ponderings of the Heart

"To Our Grads"

by Margaret Fradley

Do you have a goal? What are our goals, aims, desires or dreams for our lives? For what are we striving? The story is told of a man whose hearts desire was to reach the top of the ladder, after much struggling he finally did so, only to realize that his ladder was up against the wrong building.

We can achieve our desire, we can reach the goal we set before us, with hard work, determination and dedication. Each one of us has the potential to achieve our goal, but we will only find fulfilment if our goal is what we were created to achieve.

Some people seek for a 'high profile' and after years of working towards that goal and finally seeming to have achieved it, they are still lacking the satisfaction they thought it would bring to them, there still seems to be something missing; an emptiness they cannot explain.

Are we content to find 'our niche in life'? Perhaps it is a seemingly small 'niche' but it is where we are. Are we content to find 'our niche in life'? Perhaps it is a seemingly small 'niche' but it is where we belong, where we will feel comfortable, experience fulfilment, resulting in making our lives wholesome, worth-while, and available to others. We will then look forward to each new day with expectancy, and discover life has meaning. Congratulations to all you grads, we care about you and our prayers are with you.



YOUR LETTERS

Bashaw creates special tax to keep doctor

For the first time in Alberta a municipality is taxing its residents to raise money to keep its doctor.

The Town of Bashaw will collect \$56,000 a year - about \$190 for an average landowner - to help the doctor cover his clinic overhead.

Friends of Medicare believes rural Alberta should not have to enact higher property taxes to keep or attract doctors.

I applaud Bashaw for doing everything in its power to retain its doctor. But I think municipalities are being asked to bail out the regional health authorities and the province from their responsibility to provide medically necessary services.

On April 20th, after the meeting at which the government caucus rejected the Third Way, Health Minister Iris Evans said her number one priority now was to focus on the need to attract and retain health-care professionals in both our cities and communities.

Does the Health Minister believe it is fair to make municipalities responsible for retaining their doctors? Will the future bring a special municipal health tax to other rural municipalities?

If Alberta's health-care system is truly available to all Albertans equally, then rural Albertans should have the same access to doctors as urban Albertans.

And this access should not come at the price of a special tax.

The Government caucus needs to make sure Alberta Health steps in to relieve the citizens of Bashaw from paying a special tax just to keep their doctor.

Harvey Voogd
Friends of Medicare

Medical situation a crisis in Didsbury

We, in our small town recognize the crisis we are in, regarding our medical situation. With our growing population we have only two doctors in town. This puts a terrific amount of stress on our medical staffs.

When we realize that our doctors are at the hospital at 8:00 a.m. each morning in emergency, and then are required to go and see to their patients in their offices; and are required to be on call which demands they remain at the hospital all night, with little or sometimes no sleep, we need to show all the con-

sideration and patience we can, in order to be an encouragement to both the doctors and their receptionists.

Let us not murmur or complain, but rather do all we can to help make the best of a difficult situation until things ease up, which we believe they will. Let us not have expectations that at this time cannot be met, and let us remember to keep them in prayer.

Margaret Fradley
Didsbury

Troops need support more than ever

There's more to the recent news of the first Canadian woman in a combat role killed in battle.

When I first met Cpt. Nichola Goddard in 2000, she had the innocence of any young woman looking to make her way in a man's Army. With talent and dreams, I saw Nichola take to the Royal Military College with passion. She would not be outdone by any man and she grew to be a leader of men, rising to command 100 of her fellow officers, molding the cadets of RMC, influencing us to go just a little

bit further.

A real Canadian, driven to contribute, her care was to make her environment better. Excelling above so many, many sought out her passion.

Now is the time to get behind our military, get to know our soldiers, take an interest in their jobs, never forget the sacrifice our bright and beautiful young women and men are facing in the protection of this our great and sovereign country.

Some don't understand why military personnel do what they do with their

lives.

Nichola's example of dedication to the Canadian Forces and of offering free time to her community will stay in my heart. We can all reflect on her supreme sacrifice; a daughter; a wife; a friend and loyal Canadian. Nichola will be remembered as having made a difference.

She wouldn't have it any other way.

Second Lt. Tom Mackenzie, RMC
CFB Valcartier
Quebec City

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TOWN OF DIDSBURY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

During the budget process, Council gave approval to a Management Incentive System. The goals that management will reach for were presented to Council and approved. This incentive system is based on up to 2% of annual salary for the team and up to 2% of the annual salary for the individual manager.

At the May 8, 2006 meeting of the Didsbury Municipal Library Board, a request from Mountain View County was presented. The County will be increasing its participation in library funding and would like Council representation on the library board. Bylaw 05-15 Didsbury Municipal Library Board was amended to indicate that one of the ten members would be a representative of Mountain View County Council.

The Quality Performance Incentive Award Policy for Town employees was revisited and amended by Council in order to reward employees who bring forth significant new and innovative cost saving efficiencies.

Alberta Municipal Affairs sent a letter to the Town of Didsbury asking that the Town move its annual assessment decla-

ration submission forward to January 31. Council directed Administration to send a letter to Alberta Municipal Affairs objecting to the earlier ASSET reporting deadline because of the negative impact on the collection of local taxes, and the higher assessments that would result from using current instead of past year's property assessment values. The Town of Didsbury sees no advantage to move in future years to establishing equalized assessments on the current year's taxable assessment rather than the current assessment as of December 31 of the previous year. The timeline for both the municipality and Municipal Affairs will be too short for both levels of government to ensure the accuracy of assessment data used to prepare the Education Requisition. The Town of Didsbury will support maintaining the dates of Feb. 28 to complete the assessment, and April 1st to report the assessments to ASSET, ensuring the assessment data is accurate and correct.

Council was presented with information from Administration regarding the options of borrowing \$1,600,000 from local financial institutions or Alberta Capital Finance Authority. These monies

would be used to extend services to lands west, east and north of the current serviced industrial subdivision north of Highway #582. Council asked that more information be brought back to the June 6, 2006 Regular Council Meeting.

Council approved to transfer \$42,000 from the Operating Reserve for the purchase of the parking lot Plan 4741, Block 8, Lot 20. This lot will be used to provide more public parking in the downtown area.

Council approved to donate the cost of the Train Station Rental (\$57.50 + GST) for our Prairies to Peaks Tourism Association's Annual General Meeting on May 17, 2006.

Council was presented with a report from Roy Brown, Chief Administrative Officer recommending that staff member, Colleen Gustavson be trained as the Town of Didsbury's Economic Development Coordinator. Council gave their approval for Ms. Gustavson to begin a two-year training course through the Economic Developers Association of

Canada. The Town will sponsor Ms. Gustavson to attend the first course in Sudbury, Ontario as part of her ongoing training.

Council was provided a report from Dale Kiesman, Manager of Public Works regarding a temporary solution to the storm water service on 20th. After a closer review, Mr. Kiesman and the Town's Engineering Consultants felt this was not a reasonable solution, and recommended upgrading the storm water management for a long-term solution with the larger picture in mind. This upgrade will reflect an increase in costs of approximately \$170,000 to the 20th Street project. Council approved the recommendation for a preferred long-term solution to storm water management.

Request for Proposals were sent to local realtors for a service agreement for the sale of Town of Didsbury lands/properties. Two proposals were presented. Council awarded the Real Estate Service Agreement for the period of May 17, 2006 to December 31, 2008 to CIR Realtors of Didsbury.



Didsbury & District Senior Support Services are hosting

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PUBLIC MEETINGS & NOTICES:

TOWN COUNCIL:

Tuesday, June 6 & 20, 2006 Council Chambers, 7:00 pm
Administration Office Closed Noon to 1:00 on June 9, 2006

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

Wednesday, June 7 & 28, 2006 - Council Chambers, 4:30 pm

LIFELINE SOCIETY:

Monday, June 12, 2006 - Council Chambers, 10:00 am

NEW DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS:

The following Development Permits have been issued for the following proposed developments:

• DP 61-06	1199 Kildeer Close	Accessory building with waiver	R2
• DP 63-06	2102 - 21 Avenue	Single family dwelling with conditions	R2
• DP 66-06	1625 - 15A Street	Accessory building	R2
• DP 67-06	1905 - 16 Street	Addition (porch)	R2
• DP 68-06	213 Morris Place	Single family dwelling with conditions	R2
• DP 69-06	1601 - 25 Avenue	Storage shop, accessory building residence with conditions	I2

Further information may be obtained at the Town Office. Person(s) wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing with the appropriate fees to the secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 pm on **June 6, 2006**.

Robert Wigg, Development Officer

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SUMMER PLAYGROUND LEADER - Part-time

Position Start Date: June 30, 2006

Position End Date: August 28, 2006

The Summer Playground Programmer will be responsible for the planning and overseeing of the Town of Didsbury Summer Playground Program three mornings a week. This program consists of playing games, preparing crafts and other activities with children aged 6-12 years. This position will also assist the Summer Fun Program one day per week.

SUMMER FUN LEADERS

Position Start Date: June 30, 2006

Position End Date: August 28, 2006

The Town of Didsbury will be hiring two summer day camp leaders to help plan, implement and deliver the Summer Fun Day Camp Program. This position is a temporary full-time position for the entire summer.

For more information on qualifications please check out details on the Town of Didsbury website www.didsbury.ca - or stop by the Town Office for job descriptions

All applicants must be 16 years of age or older.

Application deadline: May 31, 2006 Please apply with resume to:

Nicole Aasen, Community Services Coordinator
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Email: naasen@didsbury.ca

We thank all applicants in advance, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

The Didsbury High School is planning a Town Spring Clean Up for May 24th between 11:00 am & noon. An alternate date is May 31st. Students will start at the school and fan out focussing on parks & boulevards leaving orange bags on street corners to be picked up.

Didsbury Blood Donor Clinic

Your donation can save lives

BY TAMARA COLLINS
Didsbury Review

At an upcoming blood donor clinic you have a chance to be an everyday hero, according to Canadian Blood Services.

On June 5 between 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. take time from your busy schedule and go to the Didsbury Multi-Purpose room to donate blood.

A donation takes about one hour of your time, including the registration, a finger poke (to test your iron levels), a screening process, which includes a one-on-one consultation with a nurse, the actual donation, then a five to ten minute rest.

In order to donate you must be at least 17 years old, and weigh at least 110 pounds. You also have to be well the day of the donation, not feeling sick.

"We want to make sure that nothing bad is passed on," said Doris Kaufman, Canadian Blood Services communications specialist. "There is a more detailed description of who can and can not donate blood on our website, blood-services.ca."

Donors are requested to stay away from caffeine for 24 hours prior to the donation, and eat lots and drink lots of water.

"After the donation is made there is a rest area, where donors must sit for a required five to 10 minutes," said Kaufman. "This helps bring people's iron levels back up."

People over the age of 71 were not allowed to donate blood in the past, but that rule has changed, so people 71 years of age and older are allowed to donate, as long as they have their doctor's approval. They would get their doctor's approval as long as they have a safe and clean bill of health.

Appointments are recommended, but not necessary. They do help cut back on wait times though, according to Kaufman.

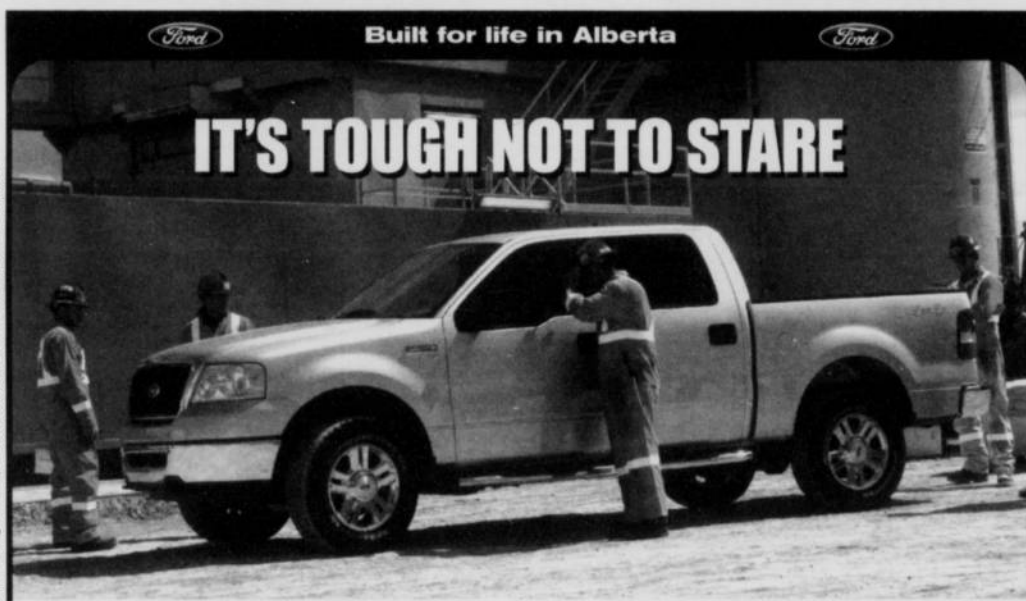
"It also gives us an anticipation on what blood types we will be getting and how much," said Kaufman. "This year our goal is 120 units (donations)."

Canadian Blood Services comes to Didsbury twice a year, and will be back on July 21.

"That allows us 56 days in between services and that is how long a person has to wait between donations," said Kaufman.

"We get a tremendous amount of support from the small communities," said Kaufman. "The Canadian average of people who donate is 3.5 per cent out of the eligible, and Didsbury is higher than that average."

There are presently 44 appointments left for June 5. If you would like to make an appointment you can contact 1-888-2-DONATE (1-888-236-6283).



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Partnerships and packaging strategies targeted for coming tourist season

Travel Alberta hosted by Prairies to Peaks

BY FAYE BAYKO
Didsbury Review

Alberta is entering a whole new era of tourism marketing. Derek Coke-Kerr told the gathered members of the Prairies to Peaks Tourism Association in Didsbury May 17.

With a budget that's doubled, from \$24 million to \$48 million over the past year, due to the replacement of the 5 per cent hotel tax by a 4 per cent tourism marketing levy on April 1, 2005, Travel Alberta is able to do more marketing and research.

"It allows us to do more and better marketing at greater depth."

Previously the funds went into general revenue and there was no relationship between the money collected and Travel Alberta budget, Coke-Kerr said. "That marketing levy is raising all the funds now that goes tourism marketing and development."

Coke-Kerr was in Didsbury with representatives of Alberta Economic Development as part of their annual tour of Alberta, connecting with tourism business throughout province.

"What we want to be sure of is that we give every single operator, whatever size their operation, or their marketing budget, an opportunity to hear us, talk to us, ask us questions."

Tables displaying the various services of Travel Alberta and P2P members braved the stifling afternoon heat in an un-air-conditioned train station hall to network and discuss possible partnerships.

Non-traditional partnerships is one area Travel Alberta, with the Canadian Tourism Commission, is exploring, said Coke-Kerr. "In a non-traditional sense we'll go to (for example) Samsonite and we'll (suggest) every piece of Samsonite luggage have this brochure (inside) which is a contract entry form for a trip to Alberta."

He said this type of thinking-outside-the-box marketing is doing well for them, as is the Travel Alberta holiday card launched last year.

"There's 120,000 Albertans signed up already who carry their cards and who get these offers every couple of weeks by email."

The surprise with the cards has been in the email marketing. Traditionally the open-rate of market emails is very low, he said, but for

the holiday card emails it's at 90 per cent.

"I think it's primarily (because) when they open it they say, Wow! Those are some packages. It's not like it's a five per cent off or one free night with every month you stay, it's significant offers."

These offers are made by Alberta tourism business operators who have partnered with other operators and packaged themselves to appeal to one of four travel lifestyles: comfort seekers, accomplisheers, urban explorers, and real relaxers.

"People will tend to come for multi-events," said

Kathleen Windsor, the original chairperson for P2P and present marketing director. She believes the visit by Coke-Kerr was important not only because of the opportunity to network but to educate.

"Those are the psychographics Travel Alberta has identified and we're now able to package to. That's the kind of thing we're trying to get our members and other businesses to understand. It's an educational process."

For more information contact Windsor at 556-8846 or through the P2P website www.prairies2peaks.ca.



Faye Bayko/Olds Albertan

Lauren Dirksen, multimedia studio coordinator for and Derek Coke-Kerr managing director, both of Travel Alberta, were guests at the Prairies 2 Peaks annual general meeting held in Didsbury May 17.

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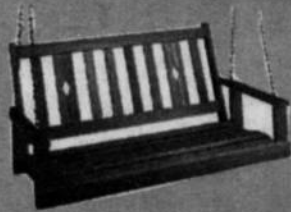


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Diving accident kills Calgary man at Glenniffer Lake

First death on lake since 2004

BY DAN MCGEADY
For the review

A 28-year-old Calgary man is dead following a diving accident northwest of Innisfail. Sean Whelan, originally from Newfoundland, was killed instantly after striking his head on rocks at Glenniffer Lake.

"At about 6:20 p.m. the individual had attempted a dive at an area known as 'the cliffs' and landed on the rocks," said Innisfail RCMP member, Const. Greg Tulloch.

"EMS arrived on scene, but couldn't find any signs of life. It is being characterized as 'death by misadventure'."

The area has been used for years by youth and adults alike who are trying to beat the summer heat. Const. Tulloch said that this time of year the water is lower because not all the spring run-off has reached the lake from the mountains.

"There is evidence that the man had been drinking. Without toxicology results we can't be sure if he was above the legal limit," said Const. Tulloch.

"EMS arrived on scene, but couldn't find any signs of life. It is being characterized as 'death by misadventure'."

CONST. GREG
TULLOCH,
Innisfail RCMP

"The only reason that I can assume (that someone would take a risk such as this) is that alcohol acts as a depressant on the (body's) central nervous system. We feel better and tend to do

things that they may not do."

He said that there were witnesses who said Whelan was warned against diving in head-first. The body was found on an "protruding rock," just out off the water.

Const. Tulloch said that Glenniffer Lake is on Crown Land and being that it is public property there is no law against diving. But he said that any public consumption of alcohol is strictly forbidden. The Innisfail RCMP plan boat patrols throughout the summer.

This is the first reported death on Glenniffer Lake since 2004. Two boaters not wearing life jackets disappeared. Their bodies were found a month later by a civilian dive team.

"We don't always get reports from incidents on the lake, but it's safe to say that every year alcohol plays a part in accidents out there," said Const. Tulloch.

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NEIGHBOURHOOD PLACE

Biking across Canada for Bibles

BY TAMARA COLLINS
Didsbury Review

In the last few years Didsbury resident Dave Perley has seen his hardships and in an effort to move forward with his life, he has decided to join others in a bike ride across Canada to raise money for Bibles.

Perley was recently widowed and after caring for their 30 year-old daughter with Cerebral Palsy, he is ready to take on the next challenge in his life.

"I feel very positive and adventurous to say the least," said Perley. "It has been on my mind for awhile to do this."

Perley will be riding with the Canadian Bible Society in celebration of its 100th anniversary.

"I figured that this was a challenge I could do with some intensive training," said Perley. "Coupled with my interest to study the Bible it would be a worthy cause."

Biking for Bibles started in 1984 in Australia and now takes place in many countries. Every year money is raised for Bible distribution and translation projects.

For its centennial, members have decided to focus on the distribution needs of our country and partner with inner city ministries and first nations outreach.

"My life has changed so much and it now allows me to do this," said Perley.

The Bible has always been an interest to Perley who has a degree in Bible Theology.

"The plain reading of an available Bible in the language of the recipient is still one of the most effective evangelistic tools available even today as in the past," said Perley. "The truth will set us free and the Bible is true in all that it says."

Perley added that when the Canadian Bible Society translates and gives Bibles to people who would otherwise go without, it is a great gift worthy of support.

People from all over the world will participate in the ride, with Perley being the only participant between

"The plain reading of an available Bible in the language of the recipient is still one of the most effective evangelistic tools available even today as in the past."

DAVE PERLEY

Calgary and Edmonton.

The adventure will start on July 2 in Vancouver and finish on Sept. 3 in Newfoundland.

Perley will ride close to 6,700 kilometres.

The 70 participants will be staying at churches and halls, and they will be fed by volunteers.

Perley is paying all his own expenses so all donations will go straight to the cause.

Perley has been preparing for the race by riding his bike as often as possible, including a trip from Didsbury to Red Deer and back again.

"I bought my bike in December and have close to 2,000 kilometres on it," said Perley.

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Burnstick Fire

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"Show me a flame and I'll put it out," said Crookedlegs. "It's been very, very hot. Half the time we can't even breathe."

Both men are residents of the Sunchild reserve north of Rocky Mountain House.

Fire bans across the west county, including in the fire site, were put into effect Thursday.

Wild Rose Conservative MP Myron Thompson, whose riding includes the forest fire area, was in contact with SRD officials soon after the blaze broke out. He offered to bring in federal resources, such as army troops, to assist if necessary.

Officials expect the Burnstick Lake fire to burn for several more weeks

before it is completely extinguished, said Drummond.

With dry conditions throughout the eastern slopes area, the province is asking campers visiting the west country to be extra cautious in the coming days and weeks, said SRD information officer Rob Harris.

"If you are going to have campfires, make extra sure that that campfire is extinguished. Before you walk away, make sure that campfire is extinguished by soaking it in water, stirring up the ashes and soaking it with water again," said Harris.

In October 2001, the Dogrib forest fire west of Sundre consumed more than 11,000 hectares of timber and destroyed more than \$2 million worth of logging equipment.

RCMP Occurrence Bulletin

submitted by the
Didsbury RCMP

Local police see sharp rise in vehicle break-ins/vandalism - residents advised to lock cars at night

Local RCMP are issuing a warning to Didsbury area residents that the town has seen a large number of incidents involving thefts from vehicles and are advising residents to take extra precautions when leaving cars parked overnight on city streets.

During the last 30 days, RCMP have responded to more than a dozen calls for service involving theft from vehicles. In every instance, the vehicle in question was unlocked, with valuables left inside.

Police are asking that Didsbury residents immediately take the following

action: ALWAYS lock your car or truck at night, even if it is in your driveway. If vehicle cannot be locked (secured) remove any valuables from the inside including loose change, CDs, stereo faceplates, sunglasses and cameras. Report any case where you believe you have been the victim of a theft from your vehicle. Report any suspicious behaviour on your property between the hours of midnight and 5 a.m.

RCMP Didsbury have recovered a number of items that were taken from unlocked cars in the past month. Please contact the Detachment regarding the return of these belongings. Items that are positively identified will be returned to their rightful owners following a forensic examination that includes dusting for fingerprints.

If you have any information regarding these incidents, please contact local police at 403-335-3381.

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Minister addresses stabbing

BY SHAWNE MOHL
For the Review

The Town of Carstairs will

play host to a speaker who has earned his fame through a tragic incident in his life. Rev. Dale Lang, who is

well-known, for telling his family's heart-wrenching story about his 17-year-old son Jason being shot and

killed by a fellow student in Taber, Alberta will be speaking next week in Carstairs, on Wednesday, May 31.

Lang will make two appearances in the community. He will start his afternoon off with speaking to the students in grades 9 to 12 at Hugh Sutherland School (HSS) at 1 p.m., followed by an evening session at 7 p.m. at the Carstairs Arena for the community.

No tickets are necessary, and anyone and everyone in the community is invited to hear him speak at 7 p.m. He will be speaking in the multi-purpose room, upstairs in the arena.

Lang will start his day off by speaking to students at Cremona School in the morning.

Due to the recent stabbing which occurred in early April where two students at HSS were stabbed at a rural party, the school's Family School Wellness worker, as well as staff at the Town of Carstairs helped bring Lang to town.

Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) as well as the Partners in Crime Initiative, which Carstairs, Cremona, and Didsbury are all part of – are the two Town of Carstairs departments which helped get Lang to come and speak in the community.

During the incident at the rural farm location south of

Carstairs, three youth in total were stabbed. One youth was from Calgary, while the other two were from Carstairs.

One youth's name has never been released, while 18-year-old Mike Westlund, a grade 12 student at HSS, was the most critically injured.

Westlund, following the stabbing, had to be rushed to a Calgary hospital and had to go through numerous surgeries. He was since released from hospital and is still recovering.

Janet Cornell, the school's Family Wellness worker, sent a letter home with students advising them that Lang would be coming to speak, and explained her reasoning in bringing him in.

"Our community was shocked when a weekend party ended with the stabbing of two teens from Carstairs. This incident has left parents, students and the community with many questions as to how this happened," she stated in her letter. "Following this incident many people have questioned how the situation became so heated that these individuals felt the need to cause physical and emotional pain and damage to another person."

When contacted by phone last week, Cornell explained that despite Jason Lang being shot and killed in a school incident, she felt that Rev. Lang would be able to explain to students about how they can handle heated, violent situations – in or out of school.

Cornell explained that following the stabbing incident

she was asked by parents and people in the community to bring in some type of speaker that could address a situation, such as this.

"Parents were phoning and requesting that we do something," she said. "He (Dale Lang) was the first to come to my mind, because he lost his own son and it was an act of violence."

Jason's Story
Part of Lang's story will be about his son.

Lang, according to his website, tells the story of the day that Jason died, what happened and how. He then talks about the issue of the shooter who was a bullied young man. The heart of his talk revolves around Forgiveness. Dale talks about how he and his family were able to forgive, and then he talks about what forgiveness means and how it changes life for all of us when we have been hurt by others.

He then shares a very special event from the last day of Jason's life and talks about the importance of "not letting the sun go down on your anger."

He concludes with a true story, according to his website, which challenges young people to ask one question: "How do I impact the lives of all the people I come in contact with?"

This talk has been given in more than 350 schools across Canada in every Province as well as the Yukon and Nunavut.

Lang is the father of five children and is married to his wife, Diane. They still reside in Taber.

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Local woman prepares to run marathon for diabetes

BY TAMARA COLLINS
Didsbury Review

Megan Cooper is running in a famous marathon in Ireland this fall to raise money for diabetes research so people with diabetes can live without limits.

Cooper is a rural Didsbury resident and in October will run 42km in the Dublin marathon.

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Cooper's goal is to "get the attention of the com-

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"I know numerous people living with diabetes including members in my immediate family, so you can imagine what this means to me."

MEGAN COOPER

Cooper's website www.marathonmegan.com to have a closer look at how you can support the cause.

"The Dublin marathon will no doubt be one of my biggest personal accomplishments," said Cooper, who has agreed to raise \$6,200.

"I have a long road of training and fundraising ahead of me but I am excited about the challenge," said Cooper. "If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact me. I appreciate your support."

For information on Team Diabetes Canada visit their website: <http://www.diabetes.ca>

CHAMBER CHAT New council members elected

submitted

The Didsbury & District Chamber of Commerce congratulates the Show 'n Shine Committee for a very entertaining event on the Mother's Day weekend. What a good crowd there was, and once again, Didsbury volunteers have proven they can put on a great show!

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Unique Stained Glass Works; Gord Fulton, Victoria's Flowers;

Lance Plewis, Spectrum Design & Drafting; Greg Poirier, Didsbury AG Foods; and Margo Ward, Ward Value Drug Mart.

For more on the Chamber's initiatives and committees, please check out the website at www.didsburychamber.ca.

Would you like to volunteer with one of the Didsbury Chamber of Commerce Committees?

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REVISED NOTICE OF HEARING

**REVIEW AND VARIANCE REQUEST
APPLICATION NO. 1346298, DECISION 2005-031
500-KV TRANSMISSION SYSTEM REINFORCEMENT PROJECT
EDMONTON - CALGARY AREA**

Whereas the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (the Board) considered Application No. 1346298, Needs Identification Document of Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) at a public hearing in December 2004 and January 2005, and subsequently issued Decision 2005-031 respecting the application and interventions;

And whereas the Board received a number of review and variance requests from parties about Decision 2005-031;

And whereas the Board, in its letter of April 6, 2006 granted the review requests concerning Application No. 1346298 and Decision 2005-031 made by the following parties:

Cheryl Kaley* (Application No. 1439224)
Benalto and District Community* (Application No. 1443360)
Lochend to Langdon Power Group (Application No. 1431899)
Cottonwood-Spruce View Power Group* (Application No. 1445441)
Lavesta Area Group* (Application No. 1441569)
Warburg Powerpoint* (Application No. 1439596)

And whereas the Board in its letter of May 12, 2006 has decided to grant an adjournment to commence the hearing on July 31, 2006;

Take Notice that the Board will hold a review hearing in relation to the above-mentioned review requests at the **Capri Centre, 3310 - 50th Avenue, Red Deer, Alberta**, commencing at 9:00 a.m. on **Monday, July 31, 2006**.

The hearing is only to consider evidence relating to the suitability of the west corridor. The hearing is **not** for the purpose of receiving evidence respecting detailed site-specific routing and related matters.

Following the filing of the future North-South 500 kV facility application, the Board will then provide a separate opportunity to hear and consider concerns respecting detailed site-specific matters by parties that are directly and adversely affected.

Hearing Process and Revised Schedule

The Board will consider the review and variance proceeding in accordance with the following revised schedule:

Notice Indicating Intention to Participate	May 26, 2006
Evidence of Allowed Participants	July 7, 2006
Responses from AESO and/or AltaLink	July 17, 2006
Hearing Commences	July 31, 2006

Nature and Scope of the Review

Individuals and groups representing a number of parties potentially affected by the North-South 500-kV transmission line have raised concern with respect to the Board's process relating to Application No. 1346298. This application was made pursuant to section 34 of the *Electric Utilities Act* and was the subject of a public hearing in December 2004 (the "section 34 hearing"). The hearing considered issues relating to the need for building a new 500-kV transmission line between Edmonton and Calgary to reinforce the Alberta Interconnected Electric System. The Board approved Application No. 1346298 in Decision 2005-031. It is the position of the aforementioned parties that, had they been advised that corridor selection was to be considered and concluded in the section 34 proceeding, they would have intervened and provided the Board with significant evidence against the selection of the west corridor.

While the Board is convinced that the notification process, utilized in advance of the section 34 hearing, was adequate and that the issues dealt with in the hearing were properly delineated, the Board is aware that the two-part process required for the approval of this project, as mandated by provincial legislation, was new and confusing to potentially affected parties. As such, the Board recognizes that significant numbers of potentially affected parties, with serious concerns with respect to the selection of the west corridor, did not participate in the hearing, thereby denying the Board the benefit of their evidence and submissions. With this in mind, and having regard to the review requests noted above, the Board has decided to convene a review hearing to provide an opportunity for parties to provide views on the suitability of the west corridor.

Participation

In addition to the parties who have filed requests for review and variance, the Board will allow participation by those parties that have filed submissions in the first phase of the review process, as well as the parties who were registered in the original hearing.

The Board requests those parties intending to participate in the hearing to follow the above schedule to submit the following in writing:

- A notice indicating the intention to participate;
- A summary of the party's position; and
- Any documents supporting the party's position as to whether or not the selection of the west corridor is suitable.

Please note that in revisiting the suitability of selecting the west corridor, the Board will only consider evidence related to the overall agricultural, environmental, economic and other impacts of utilizing the west corridor. Any specific land-owner concerns will be the subject of a future facility application and will not be considered at the July 31, 2006 review hearing. In addition, the issue of need and all other matters decided at the original hearing will not be subject to review.

Additional Information

To obtain additional information contact:

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Issued at Calgary, Alberta on May 16, 2006.

* Members of United Power Transmission Area Groups (UPTAG)

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TUGGLE

April 19, 1922 was a special day - it was the day Ev was born to Fleeta Fern and Henry Herbert Gibson, in the original sandstone hospital in Didsbury. Several siblings were already waiting for her to come home to the family farm west of town. As she grew into a serious young girl, her lifelong work ethic was already instilled, along with her incredible strength to deal with adversity. Ev often told stories about the recurring hailstorms that year after year flattened what had promised to be beautiful crops. She told of good times too, when neighbors got together for evenings of music and visiting. Working with and learning from her adored Mom was her greatest pleasure. After leaving home to go to work at various jobs, including dispatching taxis in Calgary during the war and selling clothing in J.V. Berscht and Sons in Didsbury, her dreams finally came true on a sunny 25 of June, 1949 when she married Burr Stanley Tuggle. Linda was born two years later and in 1954, it was Cliff's turn to join the family and they were blessed to grow up in a home filled with their mom's endless love for them. Over the subsequent years, Ev's roles were many and varied. She was a dedicated wife and always strove to make things the easiest she could for Burr. That included everything from doing the chores and taking care of the kids, while Burr was away working, to laying out his clothes every time he was getting dressed up. The tie was always a perfect match, the shirt and pants freshly pressed and the shoes polished to a high gloss. Whenever it was possible in the summers, Ev would pack up whatever trailer they had so that the family could all be together at various gravel pits all over Alberta. Burr's crew was always thrilled to see her coming because they benefited from these times too as Ev often became the camp cook. Ev was the best cook in the world!! Her chocolate cakes, apple pies, fried chicken and roast beef dinners were famous throughout the district. Her gardens were immense. Ev loved her beautiful flowers too and flowers beds surrounded their home. All of her plants responded to the loving energy in her hands. Speaking of Ev's hands, she was equally at ease and as skilled with a hammer and saw as she was with a cake icing tube or a needle and thread. Her creations were all masterpieces, from the porch she built on our old house to the many wedding cakes she decorated, the dresses and shirts she sewed, the paintings she created and the beautiful hand-written minutes covering pages and pages in her secretary's book in the Eastern Star. In spite of all of her incredible talent, she remained a very humble and modest woman. Ev was a dear friend to many and "Auntie Ev" to kids all over the neighborhood. She was also a precious Grandma to her five loving grandchildren. Her love for them was unconditional and the time she spent with each of them was worth more than gold to her. Each one of them has their own unique memories but they share many in common as well; playing cards or checkers, having sleep-overs and eating stacks of pancakes the next morning, having cuddles in the rocking chair, just talking or playing with the toys in Grandma's specially reserved toy box. Ev passed peacefully Friday, May 12. She was predeceased by her mother Fleeta in 1952, her father Henry in 1962, her loving husband Burr in 1982, her sisters Daisy and Edith and her brothers Freddy, George, Jerry and Henry. Those loved ones remaining are her daughter Linda (Jeremy) Miller; her son Cliff Tuggle; grandchildren Jill Tuggle, Graeme Miller, Jordan Miller, Julie Miller and Matt Tuggle; brothers Howard and Cliff; as well as numerous nieces, nephews and countless friends whose lives she has deeply touched. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, May 16, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. at the Knox United Church, Didsbury with Reverend David Gilchrist officiating. Interment followed in the Didsbury Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made directly to the Tom Baker Cancer Foundation or the Alzheimer's Society. As a tribute to Evelyn Tuggle, a tree will be planted in the Heartland Tree Memorial Park, Olds. Heartland Funeral Services Ltd., Olds entrusted with arrangements. 403-507-8610



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